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KNUCKLES! MASTER EMERALD!

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CONTROL ZONE

Hey, Boomers!

Or should I say 'Pardners'? Welcome to this rootin', tootin', wild rooster crowing issue of *STC*. Hold on tight as we gallop into the contents of the UK's only official Sega Comic.

That blue, beavering hedgehog, sure plays a mean complete story in **Sonic's Spinball Wizard**.

Shining Force, a mega-fab new series based on the successful Sega game, debuts this issue. Mixing magic, myth and mechanical marvels - let's hope it does your circuits a power of good.

You asked for him - and amazingly - those humes-who-think-they're-in-charge took notice! For all of you who wrote in demanding more **Tails**, the fabulous flying furry one is back with a price on his head in **Fox on the Run**.

Plus, **Knuckles** does a bit of D.I.Y. as he attempts to create a **New Master Emerald**. For those Boomers who want to know the secrets of Sega's energetic Echidna, brace yourselves for the first ever **Knuckles Special**. On sale 6 April, it contains forty-eight power-packed pages, including brand new stories, compos, a pin-up, a revealing interview with the red 'K' himself and a look-in from Chaotix too! Collector maniacs will love it, so stay tuned for more details.

Finally, check out your Howdy Doodles in **Graphic Zone**, plus there's a whole host of Boomers due for a handsome reward in the **Photo Zone**.

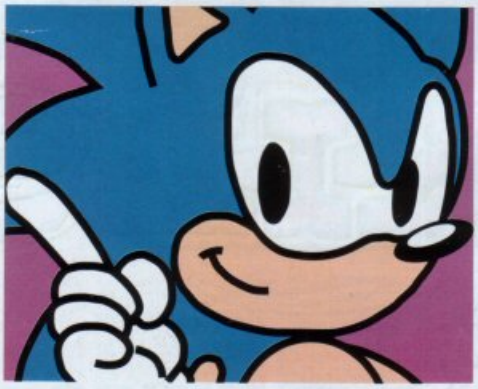
Hope some of you will be riding into the **UK Comic Art Convention** (see **UKCAC** Zone, *STC* 72) on Sunday, 3 March. Remember, the action starts at 3.00pm at the Institute of Education, Bedford Way, London WC1, so lasso an adult-hume to take you along!

Megadroid

HUME ERROR - STC 70

Apologies to everyone expecting to find the usual shiny pages inside this issue. Unfortunately, Badniks were about and managed to track down the printer's address.

Thankfully, the contents remained intact, even if they weren't displayed on *STC*'s usual paper.



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5	●	MICKEY MANIA
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7	RE	MICRO MACHINES 2
8	RE	ECCO 2: THE TIDES OF TIME
9	●	BRIAN LARA CRICKET
10	NEW	EARTHWORM JIM 2

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5	↑	WORLD CUP USA '94
6	↓	ETERNAL CHAMPIONS
7	↓	BRUTAL: PAWS OF FURY
8	↑	FIFA INTERNATIONAL SOCCER
9	NEW	LETHAL ENFORCERS 2
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MASTER SYSTEM

1	↑	SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2
2	↑	JAMES POND 2: ROBOCOD
3	↑	STREETS OF RAGE
4	↑	ECCO THE DOLPHIN
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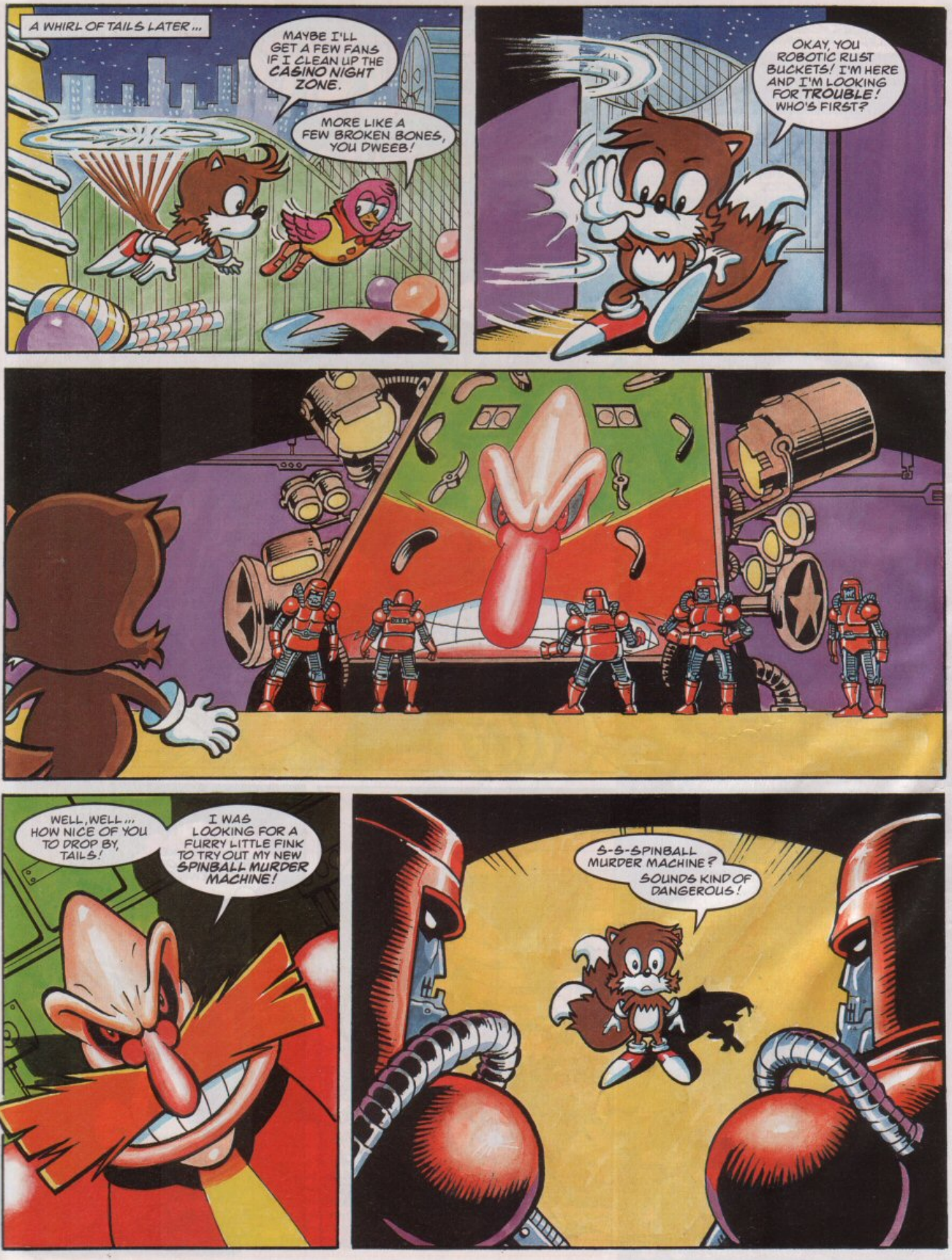
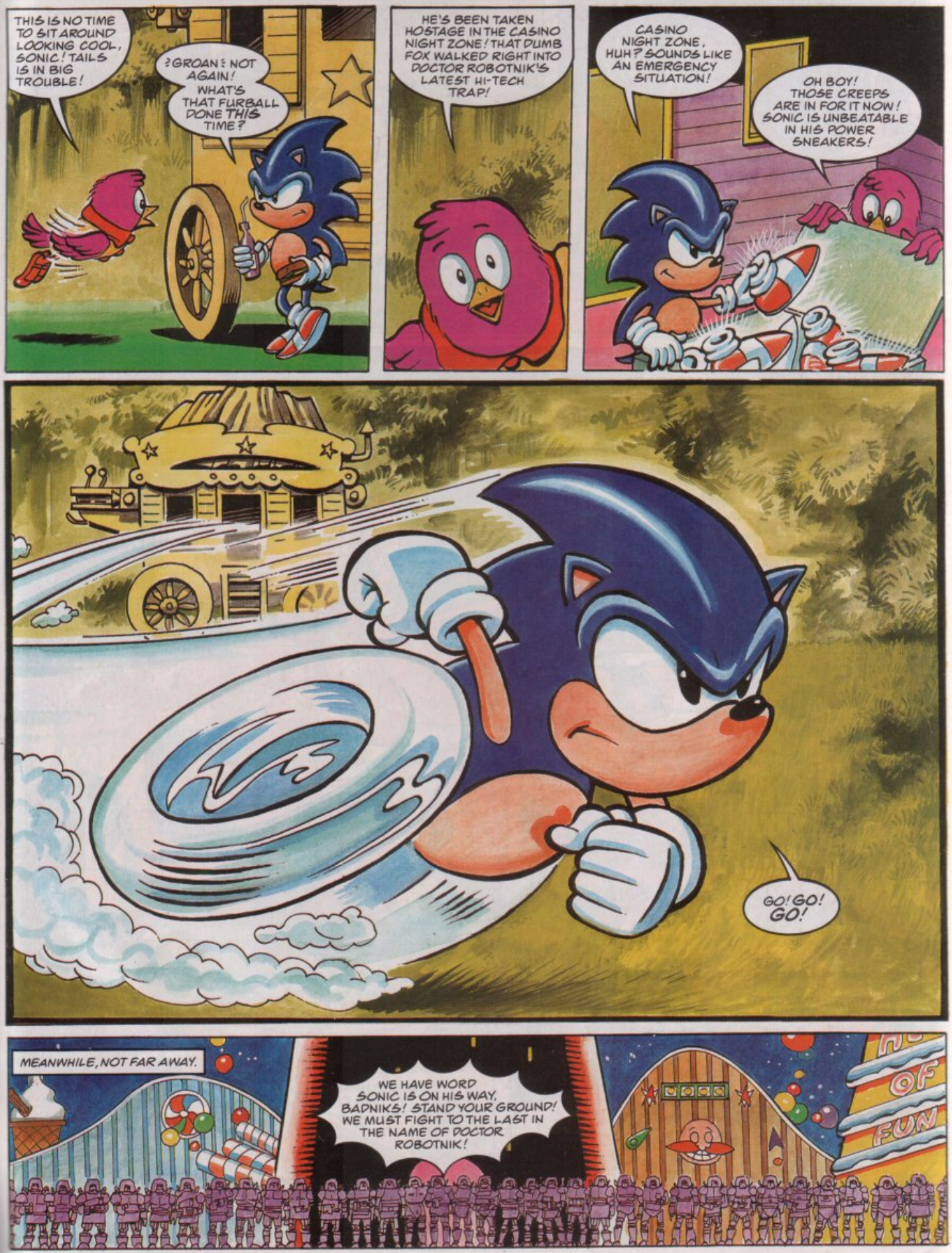
8	↑	DESERT STRIKE
9	RE	BATMAN RETURNS
10	NEW	WIMBLEDON TENNIS 2

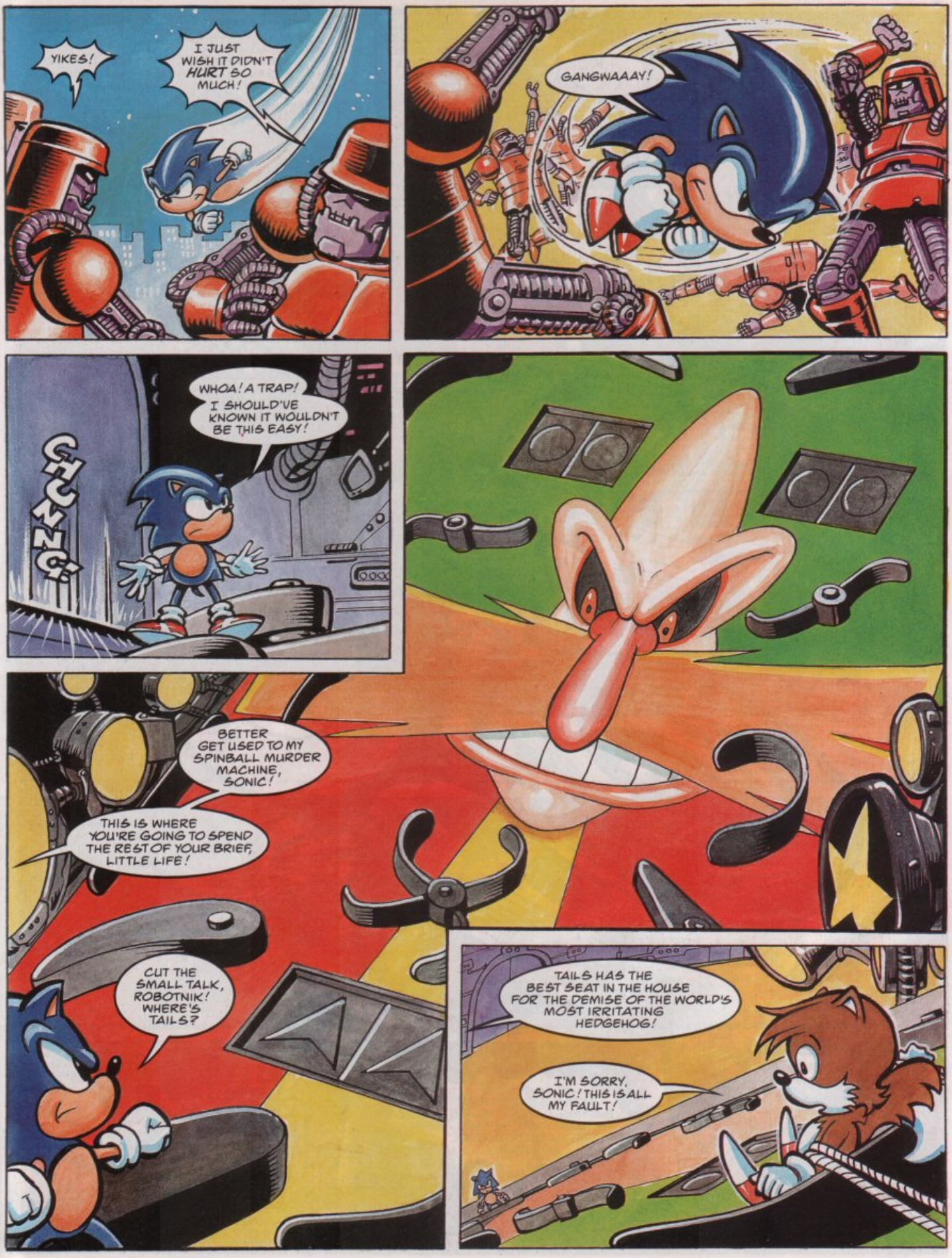
GAME GEAR

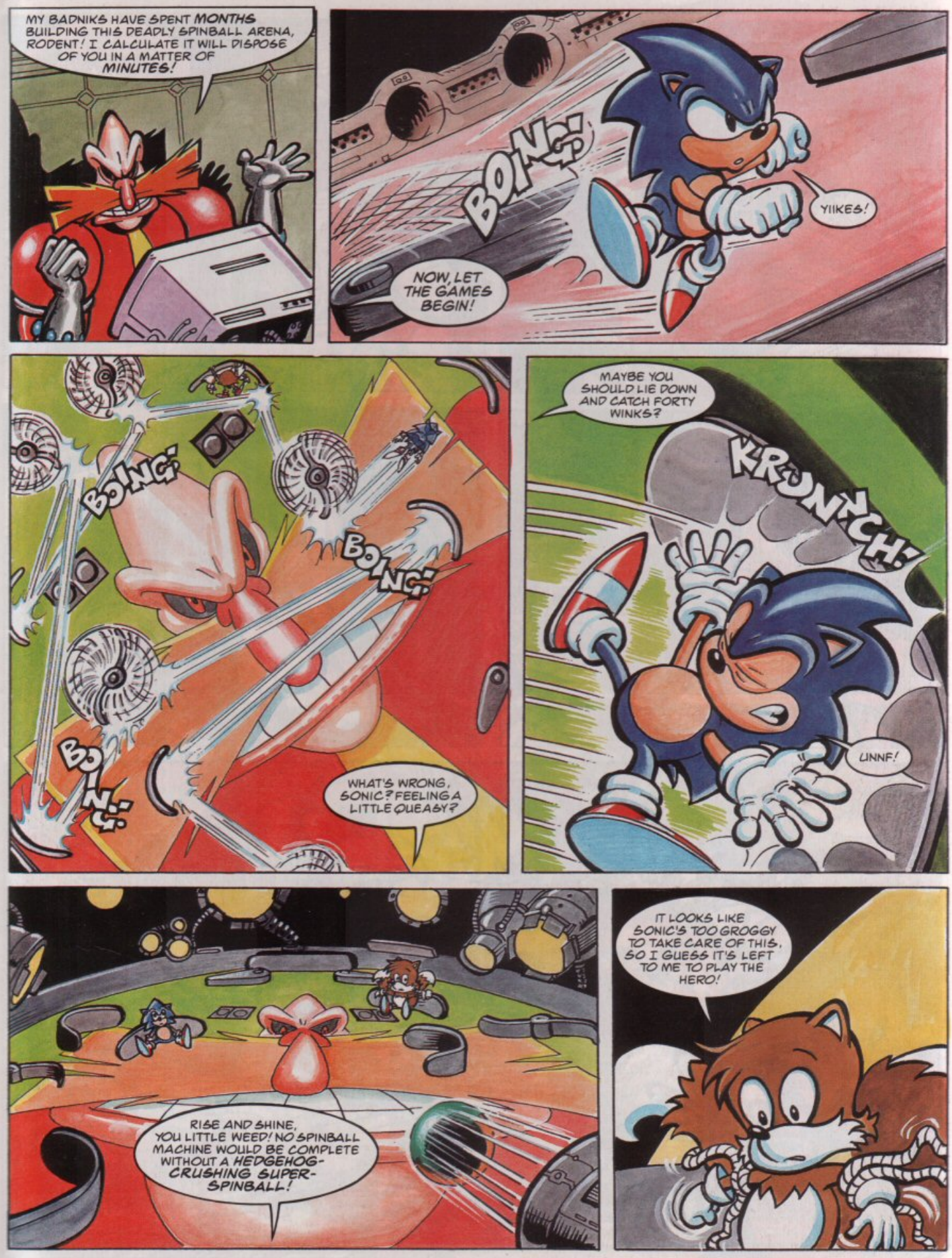
1	↑	CJ'S ELEPHANT ANTICS
2	●	STAR TREK GENERATIONS
3	RE	SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
4	NEW	PRIMAL RAGE
5	↓	SONIC DRIFT RACING
6	↓	DRAGON: THE BRUCE LEE STORY
7	RE	SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2
8	NEW	PHANTOM 2010
9	NEW	POWER RANGERS: THE MOVIE
10	↓	SONIC CHAOS

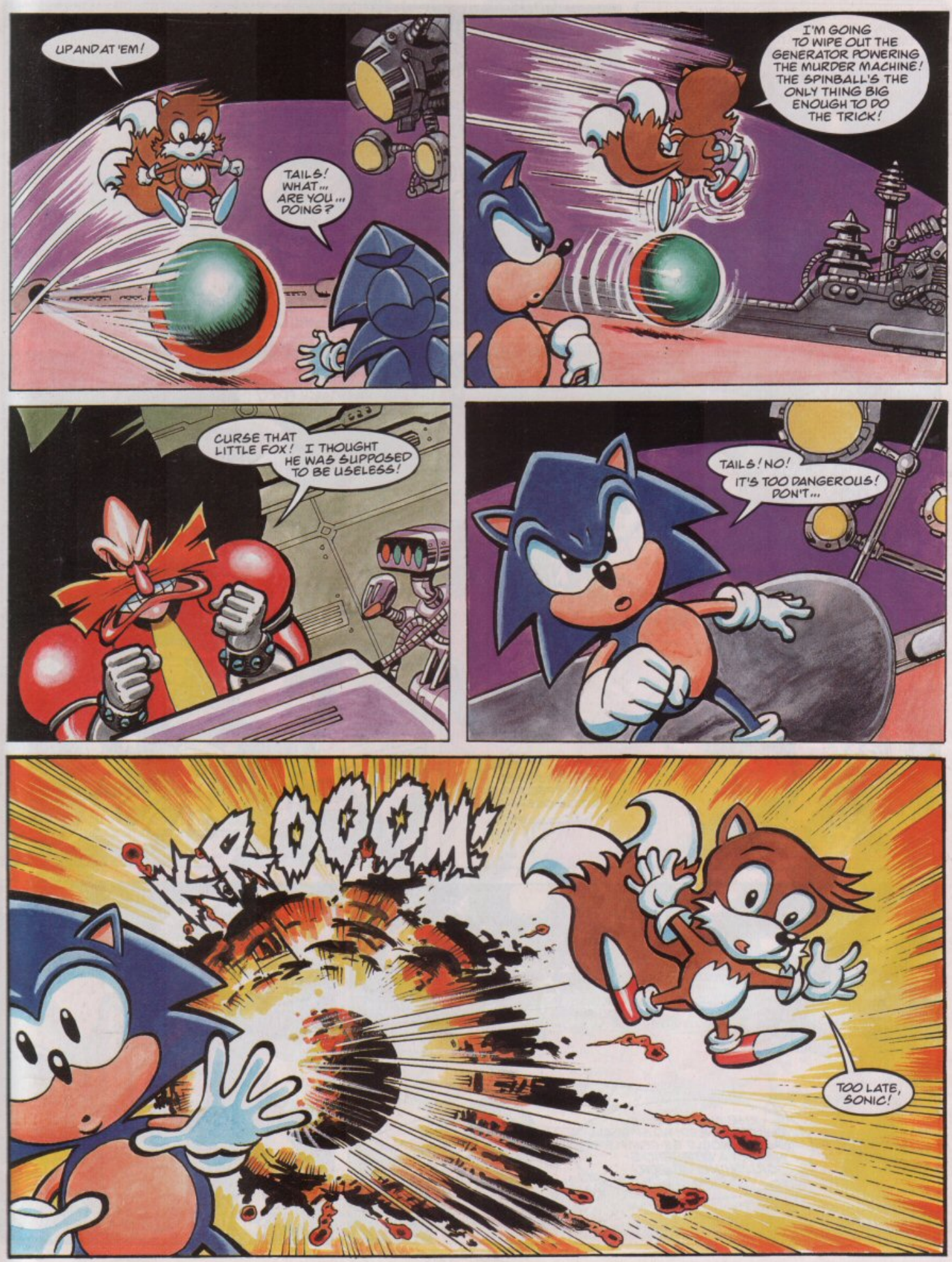
THE PLANET MOBIUS (STILL RULED BY ROBOTNIK).
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
Spinball Wizard
Script: MARK MILLAR
Art: KEITH PAGE
Lettering: ELLIE DE'VILLE
COMPLETE STORY
WHAT HAPPENED SONIC? A SURPRISE ATTACK BY DOCTOR ROBOTNIK?
NOPE! THIS WEEK'S FAN-MAIL, TAILS!
FAN-MAIL? GREAT! ANYTHING FOR ME?
NOT ONE, PIXEL-BRAIN! THEY ONLY WRITE LETTERS TO THEIR NUMBER ONE HERO!
SIGH: I NEVER GET ANY MAIL.
MAYBE IF I DID SOMETHING BRAVE AND DANGEROUS EVERYONE WOULD LIKE ME TOO.
HMM. SOUNDS LIKE TROUBLE COULD BE BREWING.


A WHIRL OF TAILS LATER...
MAYBE I'LL GET A FEW FANS IF I CLEAN UP THE CASINO NIGHT ZONE.
MORE LIKE A FEW BROKEN BONES, YOU DWEEB!
OKAY, YOU ROBOTIC RUST BUCKETS! I'M HERE AND I'M LOOKING FOR TROUBLE! WHO'S FIRST?
WELL, WELL... HOW NICE OF YOU TO DROP BY, TAILS!
I WAS LOOKING FOR A FURRY LITTLE FINK TO TRY OUT MY NEW SPINBALL MURDER MACHINE!
S-S-SPINBALL MURDER MACHINE? SOUNDS KIND OF DANGEROUS!


THIS IS NO TIME TO SIT AROUND LOOKING COOL, SONIC! TAILS IS IN BIG TROUBLE!
?GROAN? NOT AGAIN! WHAT'S THAT FURBALL DONE THIS TIME?
HE'S BEEN TAKEN HOSTAGE IN THE CASINO NIGHT ZONE! THAT DUMB FOX WALKED RIGHT INTO DOCTOR ROBOTNIK'S LATEST HI-TECH TRAP!
CASINO NIGHT ZONE, HUH? SOUNDS LIKE AN EMERGENCY SITUATION!
OH BOY! THOSE CREEPS ARE IN FOR IT NOW! SONIC IS UNBEATABLE IN HIS POWER SNEAKERS!
GO! GO! GO!
MEANWHILE, NOT FAR AWAY.
WE HAVE WORD SONIC IS ON HIS WAY, BADNIKS! STAND YOUR GROUND! WE MUST FIGHT TO THE LAST IN THE NAME OF DOCTOR ROBOTNIK!
FUN


YIKES!
I JUST WISH IT DIDN'T HURT SO MUCH!
GANGWAAAY!
WHOA! A TRAP! I SHOULD'VE KNOWN IT WOULDN'T BE THIS EASY!
CHUNG!
BETTER GET USED TO MY SPINBALL MURDER MACHINE, SONIC!
THIS IS WHERE YOU'RE GOING TO SPEND THE REST OF YOUR BRIEF, LITTLE LIFE!
CUT THE SMALL TALK, ROBOTNIK! WHERE'S TAILS?
TAILS HAS THE BEST SEAT IN THE HOUSE FOR THE DEMISE OF THE WORLD'S MOST IRRITATING HEDGEHOG!
I'M SORRY, SONIC! THIS IS ALL MY FAULT!


MY BADNIKS HAVE SPENT MONTHS BUILDING THIS DEADLY SPINBALL ARENA, RODENT! I CALCULATE IT WILL DISPOSE OF YOU IN A MATTER OF MINUTES!
BOING!
YIIKES!
NOW, LET THE GAMES BEGIN!
BOING!
BOING!
BOING!
WHAT'S WRONG, SONIC? FEELING A LITTLE QUEASY?
MAYBE YOU SHOULD LIE DOWN AND CATCH FORTY WINKS?
KRUNCH!
UNNF!
RISE AND SHINE, YOU LITTLE WEED! NO SPINBALL MACHINE WOULD BE COMPLETE WITHOUT A HEDGEHOG-CRUSHING SUPER-SPINBALL!
IT LOOKS LIKE SONIC'S TOO GROGGY TO TAKE CARE OF THIS, SO I GUESS IT'S LEFT TO ME TO PLAY THE HERO!


UP AND AT 'EM!
TAILS! WHAT... ARE YOU... DOING?
I'M GOING TO WIPE OUT THE GENERATOR POWERING THE MURDER MACHINE! THE SPINBALL'S THE ONLY THING BIG ENOUGH TO DO THE TRICK!
CURSE THAT LITTLE FOX! I THOUGHT HE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE USELESS!
TAILS! NO! IT'S TOO DANGEROUS! DON'T...
KRROOOM
TOO LATE, SONIC!

KAFF! KAFF!
I DON'T BELIEVE IT! WE MADE IT!
WE'RE ALL THAT'S LEFT STANDING! WHAT A STROKE OF LUCK!
AARGH! MY SPINBALL MACHINE!
I SHOULD HAVE WIPED OUT THAT BUSHY-TAILED FINK WHEN I HAD THE CHANCE!
BACK AT THE REBELS' CIRCUS WAGON.
THERE'S A LETTER HERE FOR YOU, TAILS!
FAN-MAIL AT LAST! WORD MUST HAVE GOT AROUND!
AW, CRIPES! I DON'T BELIEVE IT! IT'S A FINE FOR MY OVER-DUE LIBRARY BOOKS!
WHAT DID YOU EXPECT, TAILS? THERE'S ONLY ROOM FOR ONE SUPER-COOL HERO ON MOBIUS!
NEXT ISSUE: THE METROPOLIS ZONE MISSION!

HOWDY DOODLES

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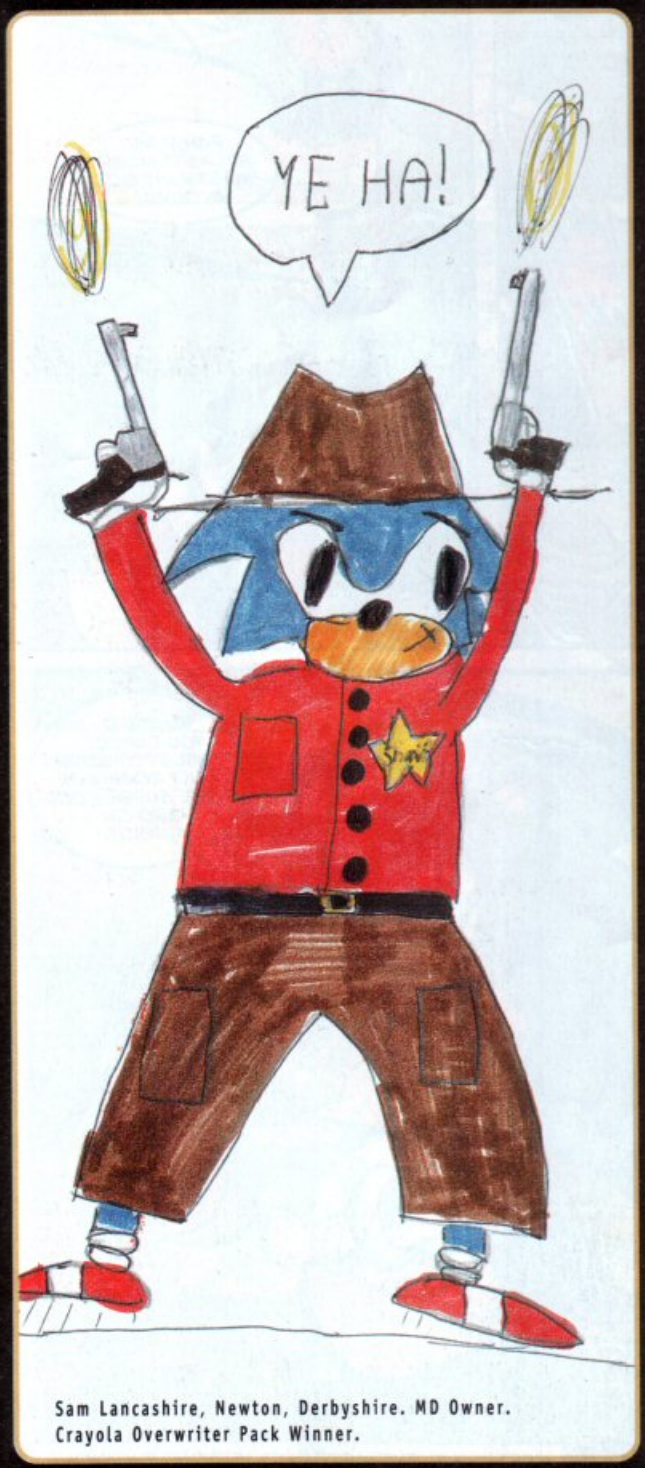

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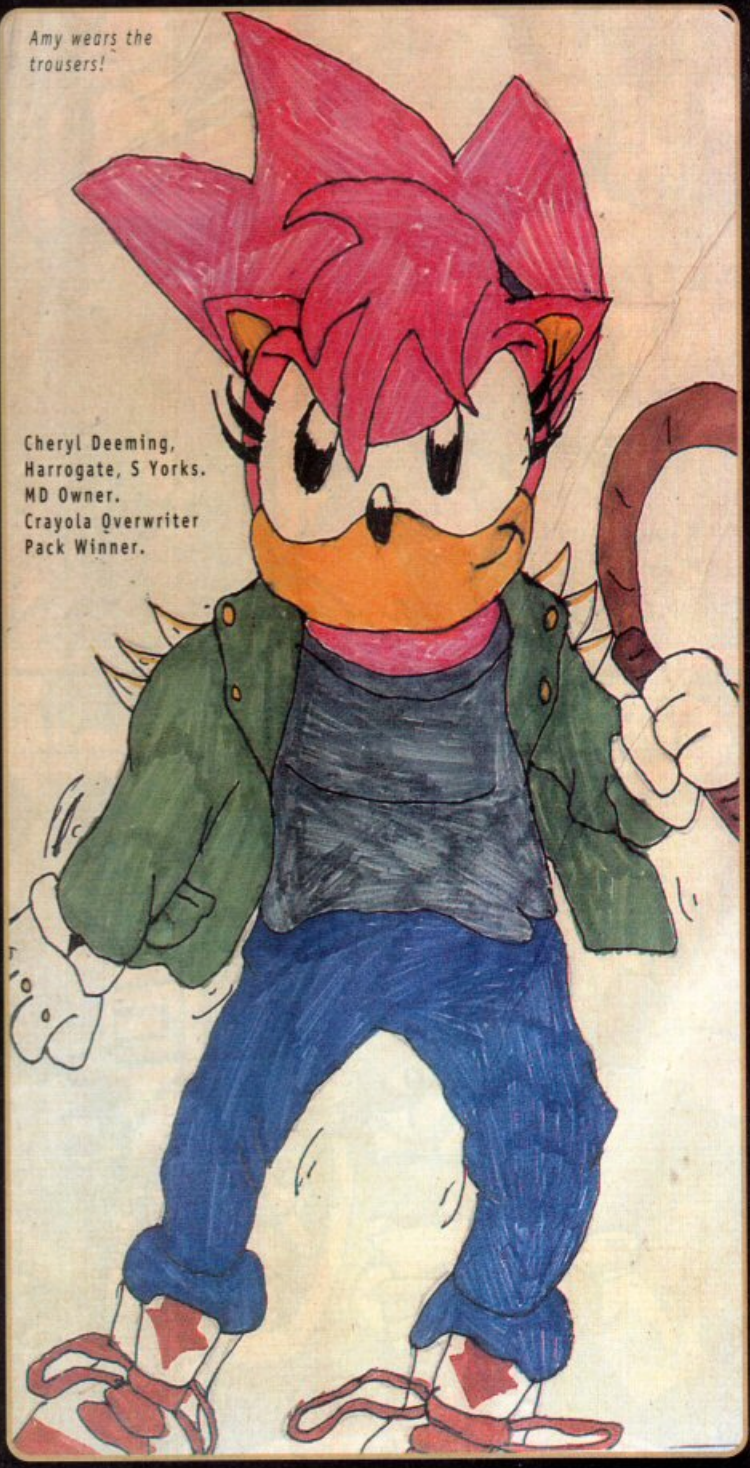

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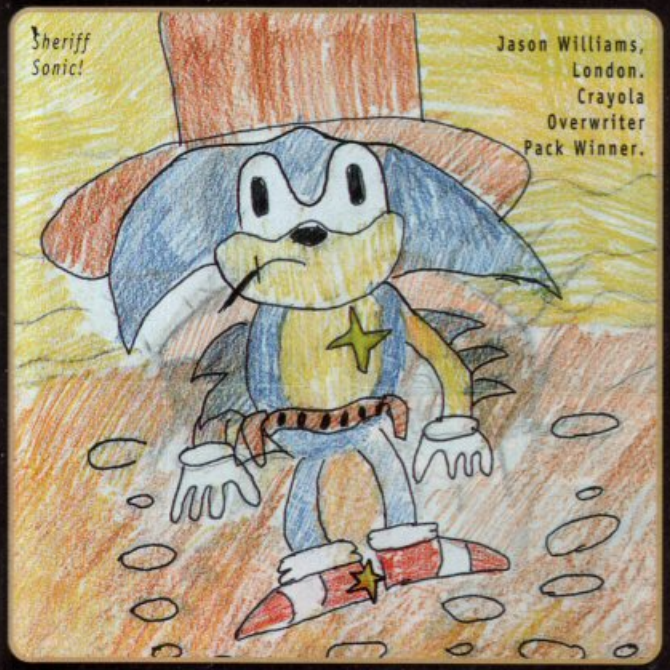

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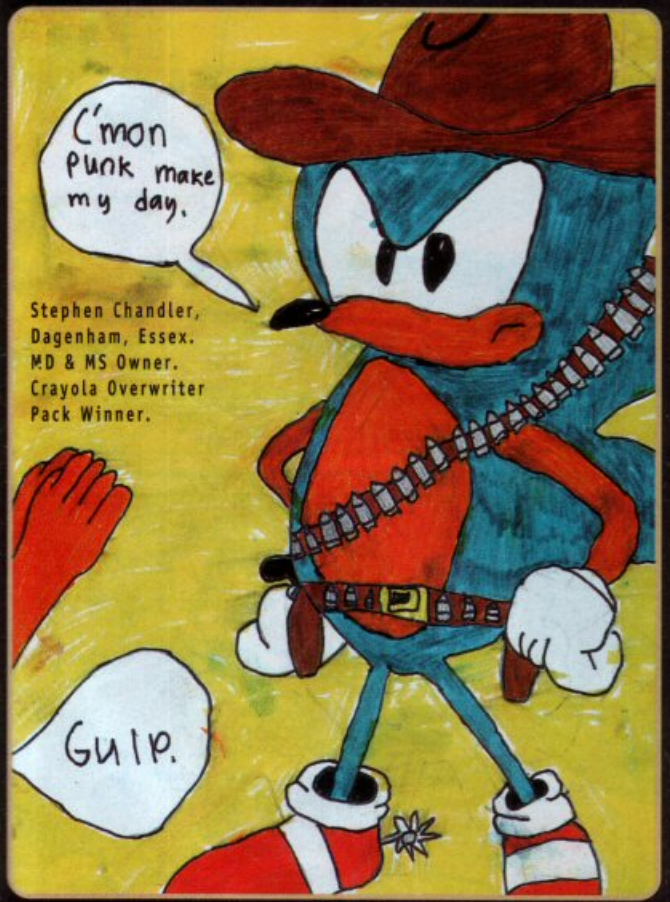

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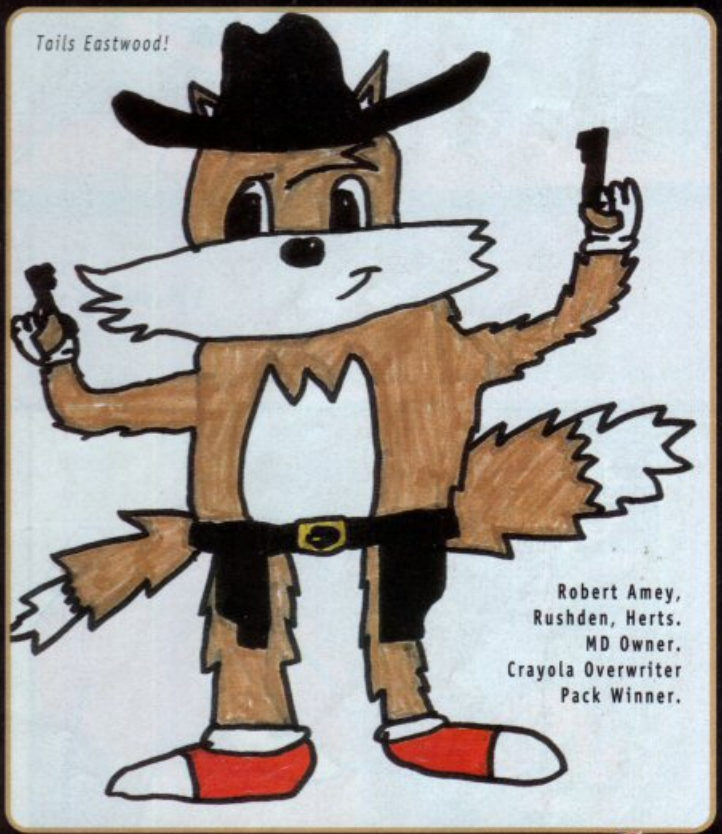

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KNUCKLES

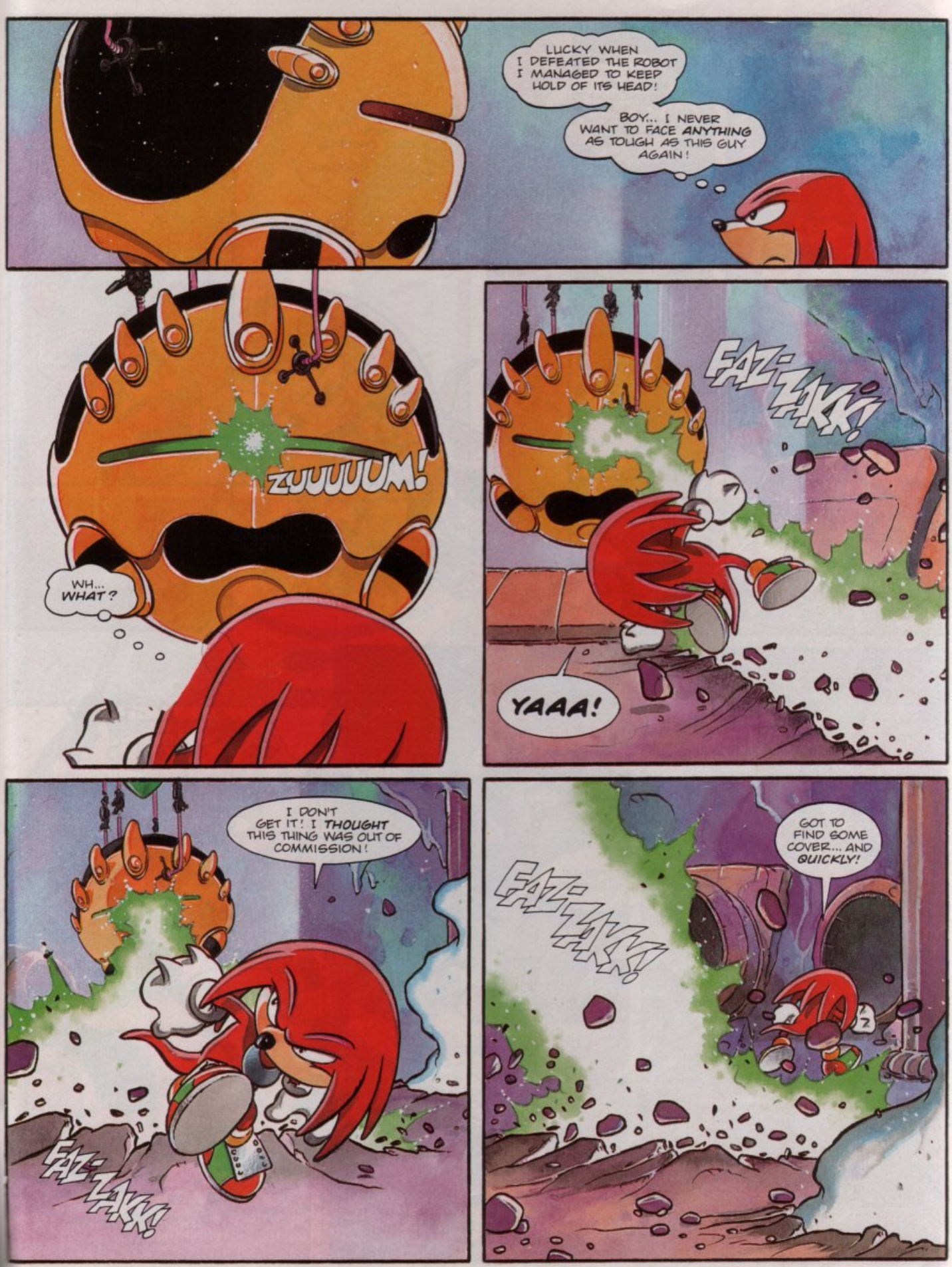
COMPLETE STORY

NEW MASTER EMERALD

Script: NIGEL KITCHING Art: NIGEL DOBBYN Lettering: ELITTA FELL

KNUCKLES HAS SUCCEEDED IN ACQUIRING A NEW EMERALD FOR THE EMERALD CHAMBER.
IT HAS TAKEN HIM DAYS TO CUT THE RAW GEM INTO SHAPE. NOW, HE BEGINS THE FINAL STAGE...
SO FAR, SO GOOD...

SINCE DOCTOR ZACHARY'S ROBOT DESTROYED THE MASTER EMERALD, I'VE HAD TO USE ITS HEAD AS A REPLACE-MENT.*
*THE ROBOT ABSORBED ALL THE EMERALD POWER, SEE STC #67.


LUCKY WHEN I DEFEATED THE ROBOT I MANAGED TO KEEP HOLD OF ITS HEAD!
BOY... I NEVER WANT TO FACE ANYTHING AS TOUGH AS THIS GUY AGAIN!
ZUUUUUM!
WH... WHAT?
FAZ-ZAK!
YAAA!
I DON'T GET IT! I THOUGHT THIS THING WAS OUT OF COMMISSION!
FAZ-ZAK!
GOT TO FIND SOME COVER... AND QUICKLY!
FAZ-ZAK!

OH NO... I THINK IT'S REALISED THAT THE EMERALDS ARE DRAINING ITS POWER!
I'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING!
I'LL NEVER BE QUICK ENOUGH TO MAKE IT ACROSS THE FLOOR WITHOUT BEING CUT DOWN!
RATS! THERE'S NEVER A SUPER-FAST HEDGEHOG AROUND WHEN YOU NEED ONE!
ONLY ONE CHANCE... HOPE I HAVE ENOUGH TIME!
KRSSSH!
SURPRISE, YOU CREEP!
WHUFF!

GOT TO KEEP THAT BEAM AWAY FROM THE EMERALDS!
WHOA!
YAAAA!
WELL, I GUESS THIS IS IT!
ENERGY LEVEL 6%. TOO LOW TO GENERATE POWER BEAM.
YOU CAN TALK? I NEVER THOUGHT OF YOU AS A CONSCIOUS BEING!
ENERGY LEVEL CRITICAL. THIS UNIT WILL TERMINATE IN APPROXIMATELY 30 SECONDS.
NO! I CAN'T LET THAT HAPPEN!

HE'S HARMLESS NOW, IF I CAN JUST BREAK THESE CONNECTIONS BEFORE HE SHUTS DOWN!
ROBOT, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
ENERGY LEVELS HAVE STABILISED. SYSTEMS NOW RUNNING ON MINIMUM POWER REQUIREMENTS.
LOOK ROBOT, I KNOW YOU WERE CREATED BY MY PEOPLE ... THE LOST RACE OF ECHIDNAS.
BUT HOW DID YOU WIND UP WITH A CREEP LIKE DOCTOR ZACHARY?
ZACHARY REPROGRAMMED ME TO SERVE ONLY HIM. THE ENERGY DRAIN HAS NOW REMOVED HIS INTERFERENCE.
LOOK, YOU'RE THE NEAREST I'VE COME TO FINDING OUT SOMETHING ABOUT MY PEOPLE.
I CAN USE THE EQUIPMENT IN THE EMERALD CHAMBER TO EXAMINE YOUR MEMORY BANKS.
PERHAPS YOU HOLD SOME CLUE TO WHERE MY PEOPLE ARE!
OF COURSE, I'LL NEED TO MAKE A FEW REPAIRS...
NEXT ISSUE: THE ECHIDNA AND THE PIRATES!

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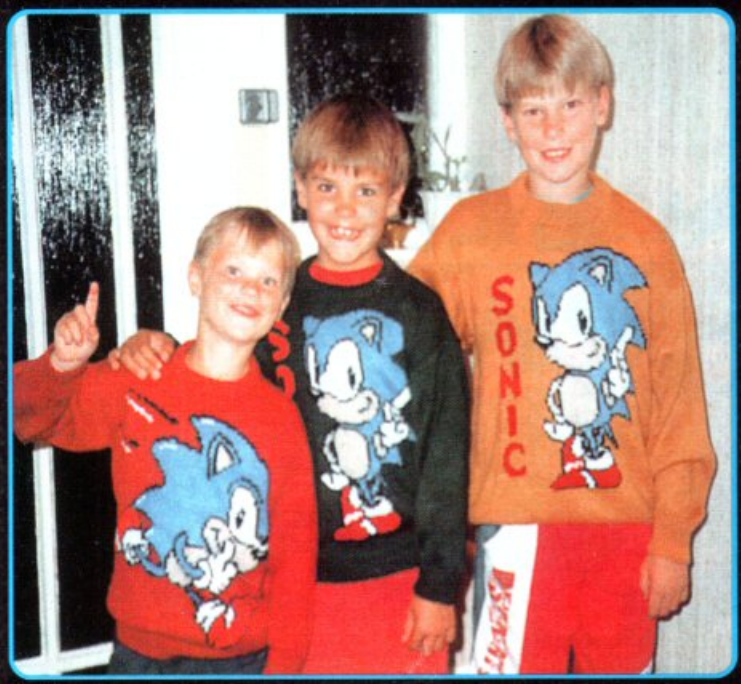

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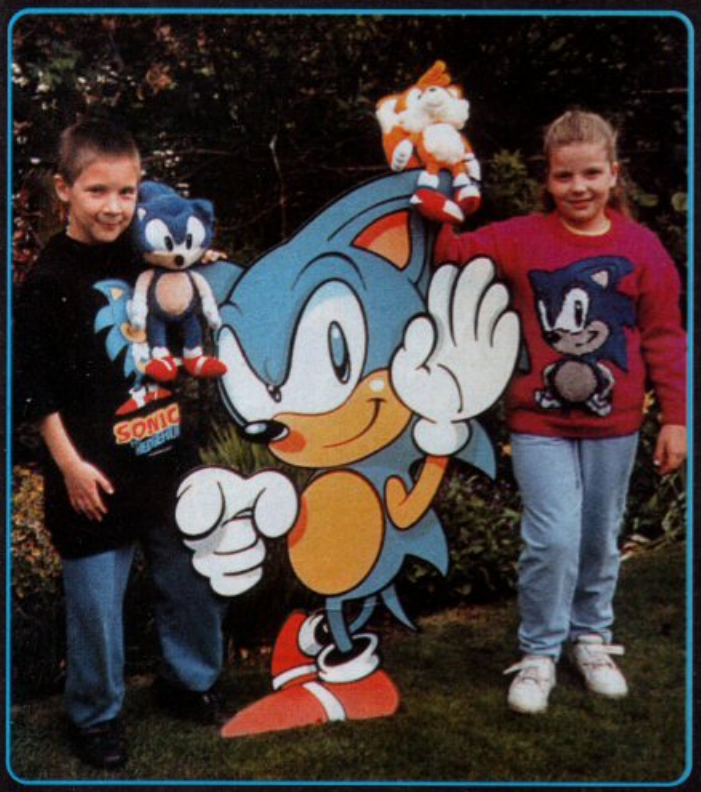

Heather Forrester (with Stephen Platts), Barrow-upon-Soar, Leics.
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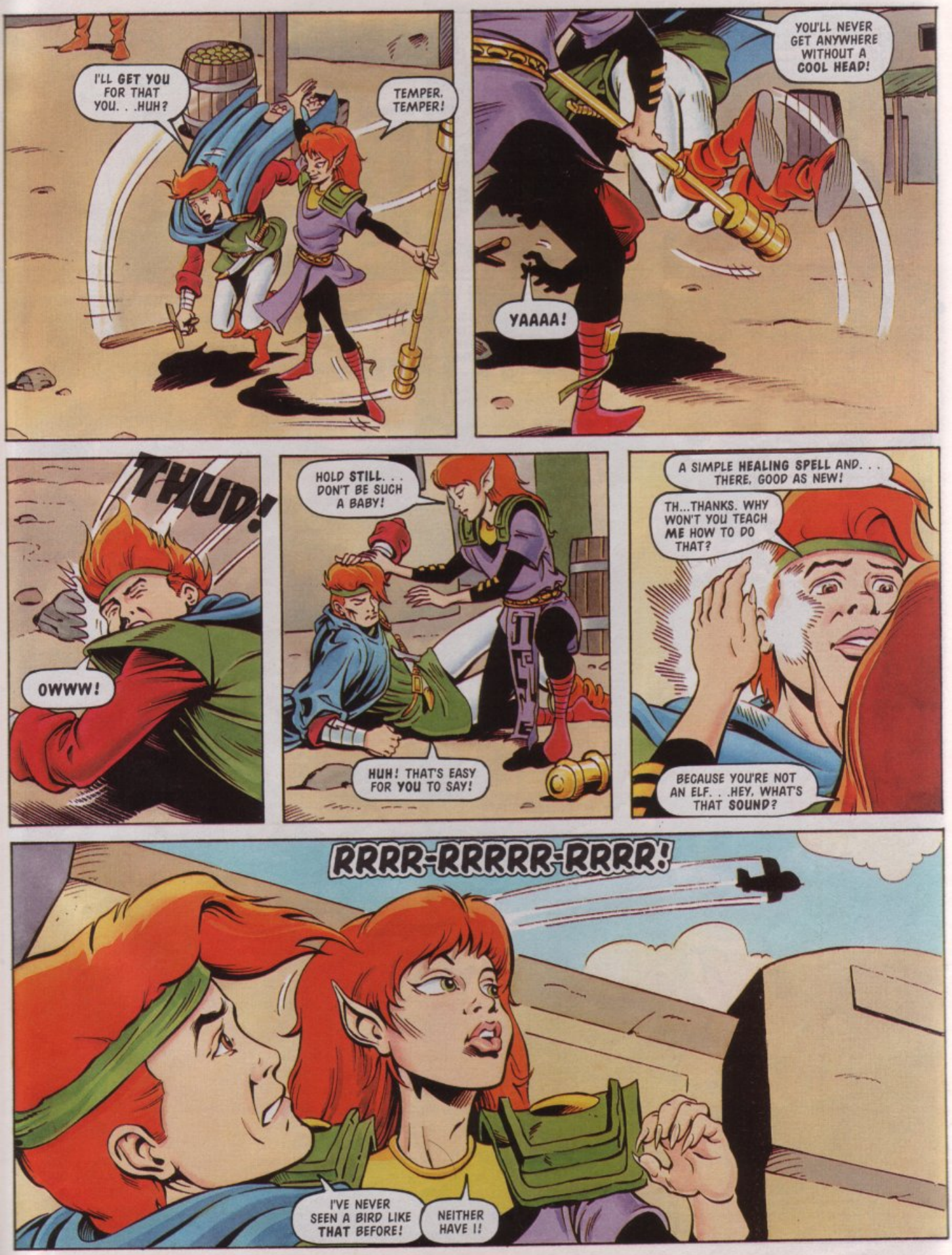
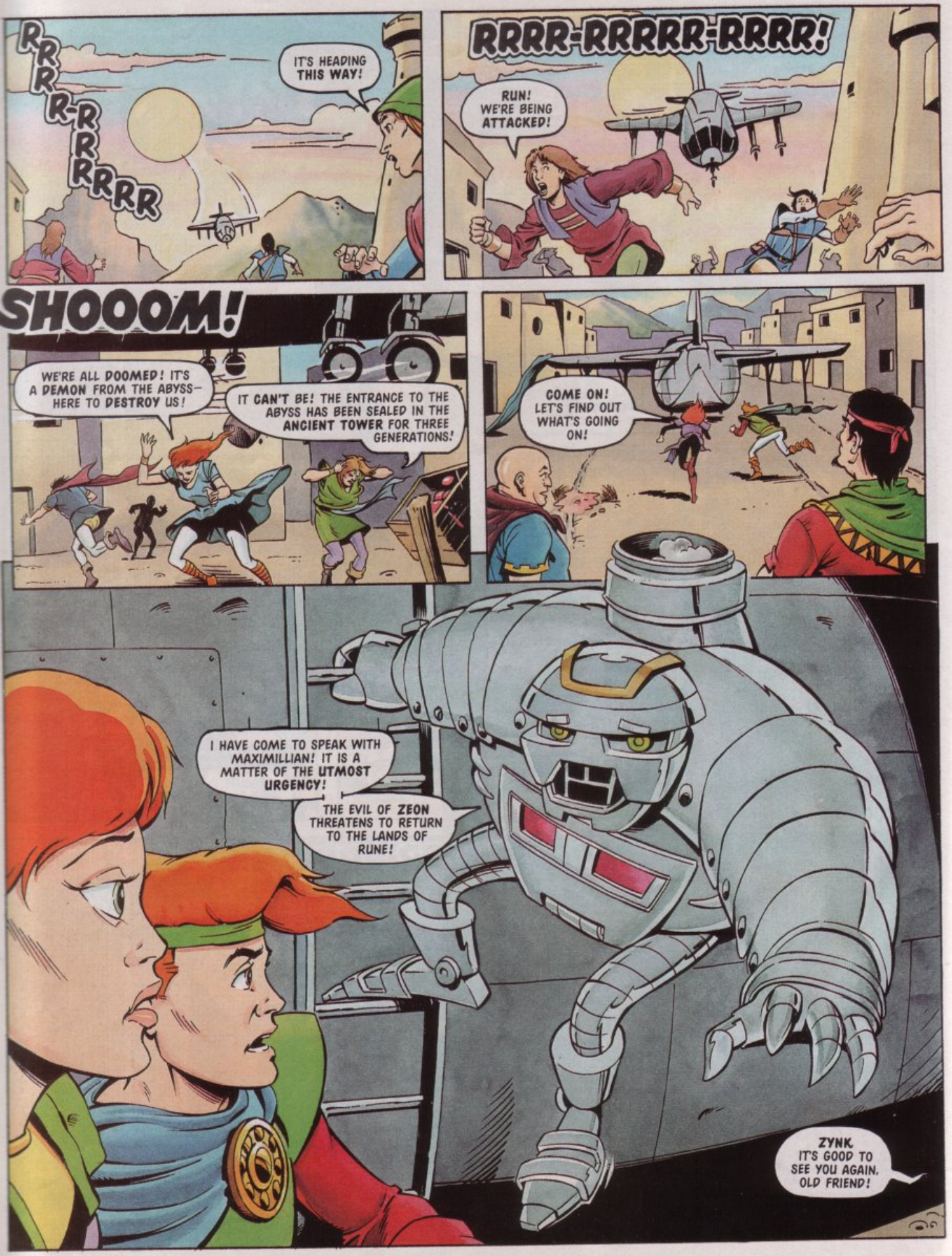
SHINING FORCE
THE CURSE OF ZEON
Part 1
NEW SERIES
Script: NIGEL KITCHING
Art: MARTIN GRIFFITHS
Colouring: GINA HART
Lettering: TOM FRAME
GRANSEAL ISLAND IN THE KINGDOM OF RUNE. A LAND THAT HAS KNOWN PEACE FOR GENERATIONS.
AT THE HEART OF THE ISLAND IS THE ANCIENT TOWER. THE ONE REMINDER OF DAYS LONG GONE. . .THE DARK DAYS OF ZEON.
KRAKK!
NOT A BAD TRY, BOWIE. . . I STILL SAW IT COMING THOUGH!
JUST YOU WAIT, TAYA. . .I'LL KNOCK THAT STUPID SMILE OFF YOUR FACE!
MAYBE YOU WILL, BOWIE. . .
TOKK!
AGHH!
BUT IT WON'T BE TODAY!


I'LL GET YOU FOR THAT YOU. . .HUH?
TEMPER, TEMPER!
YOU'LL NEVER GET ANYWHERE WITHOUT A COOL HEAD!
YAAAA!
THUD!
OWWW!
HOLD STILL. . . DON'T BE SUCH A BABY!
HUH! THAT'S EASY FOR YOU TO SAY!
A SIMPLE HEALING SPELL AND. . . THERE, GOOD AS NEW!
TH...THANKS. WHY WON'T YOU TEACH ME HOW TO DO THAT?
BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT AN ELF. . .HEY, WHAT'S THAT SOUND?
RRRR-RRRRR-RRRR!
I'VE NEVER SEEN A BIRD LIKE THAT BEFORE!
NEITHER HAVE I!


RRR-R-RRRRR
IT'S HEADING THIS WAY!
RRRR-RRRRR-RRRR!
RUN! WE'RE BEING ATTACKED!
SHOOOM!
WE'RE ALL DOOMED! IT'S A DEMON FROM THE ABYSS— HERE TO DESTROY US!
IT CAN'T BE! THE ENTRANCE TO THE ABYSS HAS BEEN SEALED IN THE ANCIENT TOWER FOR THREE GENERATIONS!
COME ON! LET'S FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON!
I HAVE COME TO SPEAK WITH MAXIMILLIAN! IT IS A MATTER OF THE UTMOST URGENCY!
THE EVIL OF ZEON THREATENS TO RETURN TO THE LANDS OF RUNE!
ZYNK, IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN, OLD FRIEND!

GRANDFATHER! YOU SHOULDN'T BE OUT HERE, YOU'RE TOO SICK!
DON'T FUSS, MY BOY! IF ZEON REALLY IS ABOUT TO RETURN, THEN WE ARE ALL IN GREAT DANGER!
MEANWHILE, TO THE EAST IN RIBBLE, WORK CONTINUES ON THE ARCHAELOGICAL DIG UNDER THE TOWN'S BUILDINGS.
THE SYMBOLS. . .CAN YOU WORK OUT THEIR MEANING, TREVILLION?
NO, I CANNOT...BUT IT IS THE SAME LANGUAGE THAT IS WRITTEN ON THE OTHER ARTEFACTS FOUND ON THIS DIG!
NO ADMITTANCE TO UNAUTHORISED PERSONNEL. LEVEL 2 CLEARANCE REQUIRED.
QUICK! THE DOOR SHOULD OPEN NOW!
IT'S STUCK... I CAN'T MOVE IT ANY FURTHER!
THAT'S ALL RIGHT! I...I THINK I CAN SQUEEZE THROUGH...
TREVILLION! CAN YOU HEAR ME?

WHAT CAN YOU SEE IN THERE?
THINGS... WONDERFUL THINGS!
NEXT ISSUE: THE SECRET OF THE ANCIENT TOWER!

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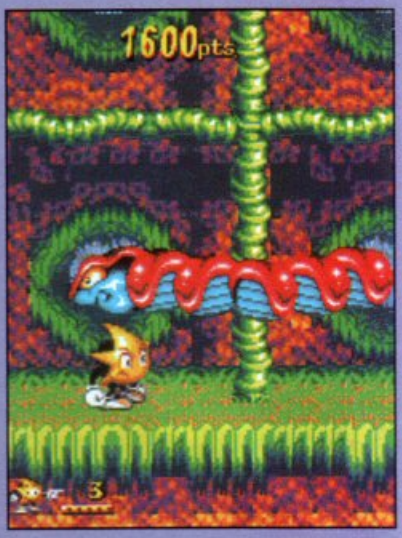

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MD MEGA DRIVE

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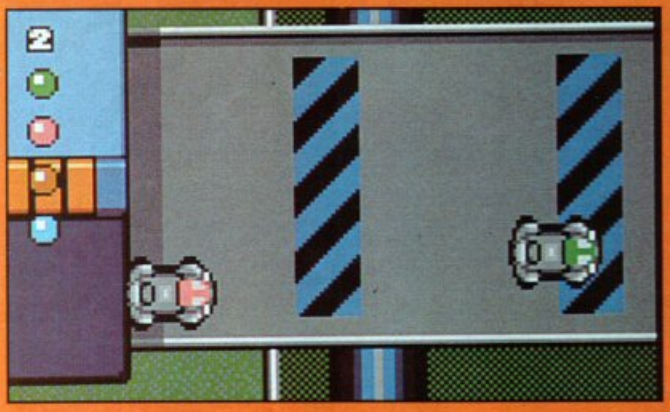

MICRO MACHINES 2

To get a faster car, pause the game whenever you want and enter; **Up, Down, A, B, Left, Right**, then hold **C** and unpause.

If you happen to be playing against a friend who is a champion at this game, do the following:-

Pause the game whenever you want and key in; **Left, Down, Up, Down, Right, Down, hold A** and **Down** and then unpause it.

It will now be unbelievably hard playing and you'll laugh at their new found uselessness!

RISTAR

Forget astronomer Patrick Moore's tips on where to find the big dipper in the sky at night. Instead, take down these tips to make *Ristar* a star game.

On the password screen enter the word **MUSEUM** and you will get a 'Boss Rush' mode where you will take on

every guardian in the game, one after another. To select whatever level you want to play, enter **ILOVEU** on the password screen.

To get a 'Time Attack' mode where you have to complete the levels as quickly as possible, enter the password **DOFEEL**.

Finally, to play the 'Onchi System' with some crazy options, enter the password **MAGURO**.

SKELETON KREW

Those poor skeletons don't look well do they? If you've yet to bond with all those bony bods on different levels, this tip will show you how.

Start playing the game and at any time press Start to pause it. Now enter **C, Up, Left, Left, B, A, Right,**

Down, C, Left, Up, and **B**. You can now switch between levels by pressing Left or Right to skip up and down them.

THEME PARK

A monster thank you to *STC* fan **Ian Kay from Liverpool** who tells me that by entering the code **7AAACAABAA4** you can start this Mega Drive game with 32 million pounds in the bank!

Try this if you want the children to ride your tubing ride in go-karts and the speedway in rubber tubes ... once you've made a Speedway or Tubing Ride and you've put the entrance in, turn the other ride off. Now change the track to either Speedway or Tubing and turn it back on.

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The **END**

TAILS!
Script: LEW STRINGER
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Lettering: STEVE POTTER
FOX ON THE RUN
Part 1
THERE ARE STILL SOME AREAS ON PLANET MOBIUS UNTOUCHED BY THE POLLUTING INFLUENCE OF DOCTOR ROBOTNIK. IN THE PEACEFUL SPRING FLOWER ZONE, TAILS WAS ENJOYING A STROLL UNTIL...
OUTLAW SIGHTED! DESTROY!
YIKES! SO MUCH FOR TAKING AN AFTERNOON OFF!
NEW STORY
ZZAPP!
I GUESS THESE GUYS AREN'T NATURE LOVERS!
FZAPP!
FZIPP!
THIS WOULD BE EASIER IF SONIC AND THE GANG WERE AROUND, BUT HERE GOES!

ONE DOWN, TWO TO GO!
BOSH!
ULP! I WISH I FELT MORE CONFIDENT! THIS IS GOING TO BE A TOUGH FIGHT!
YESSS! A HEAD-ON CRASH! I THOUGHT THAT SORT OF THING ONLY HAPPENED IN COMIC STRIPS!
KABOOOM!
YAHEYY! WE'RE FREE! THANKS, TAILS!
AHEM! ALL IN A DAY'S WORK, GUYS!
NOW, PERHAPS I CAN CONTINUE MY WALK IN –
WAAAHHH!

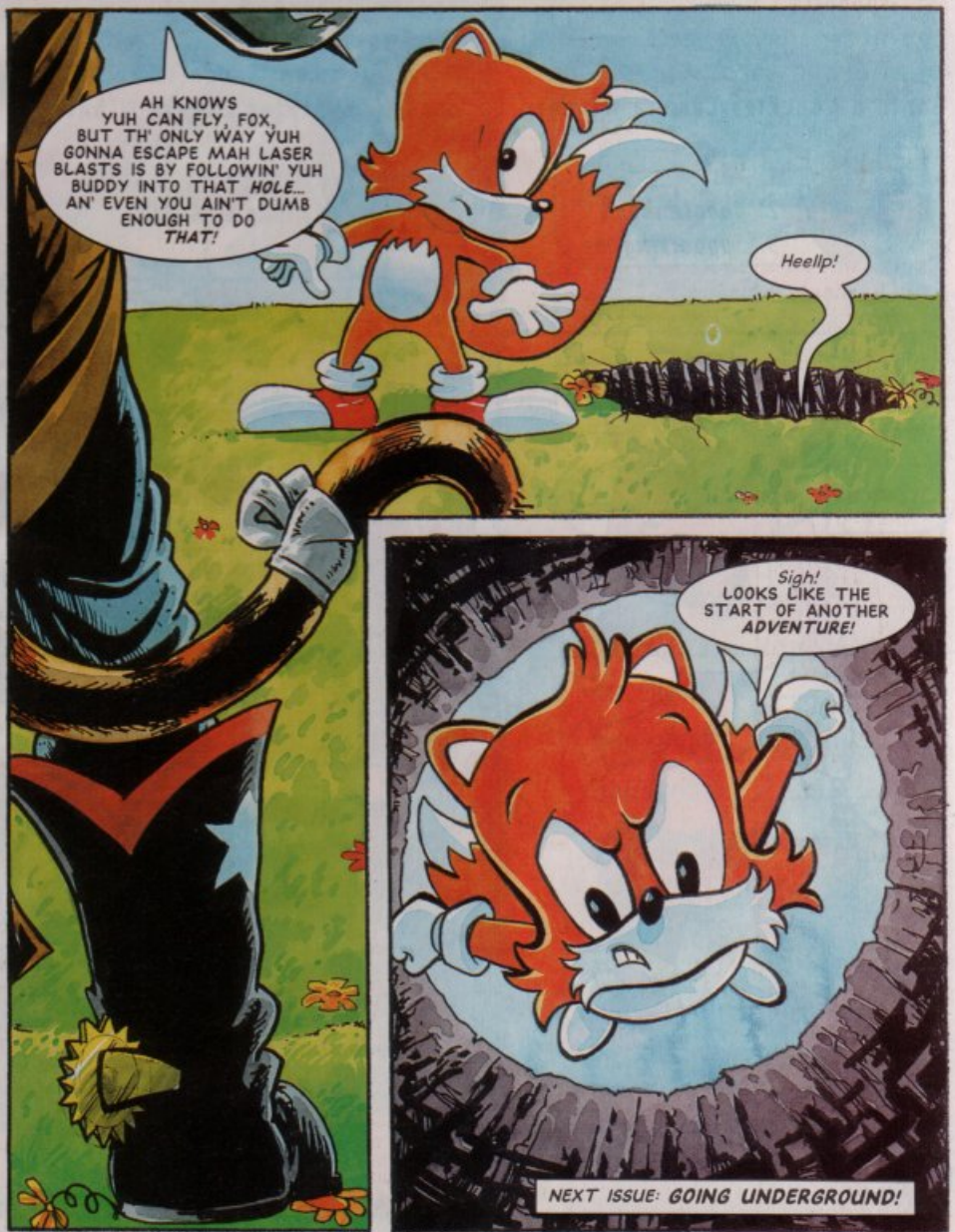
I WONDERED WHERE THE OTHER EX-BADNIK WAS!
CHEER UP! YOU'RE FREE NOW!
WAAAHH! YEAH, BUT I'M LOST!
DON'T WORRY, LITTLE BUDDY! I'LL MAKE SURE YOU GET HOME SAFE! WHERE DO YOU LIVE?
TH-THE METROPOLIS ZONE!
BUT THAT'S MILES AWAY... AND IT'S A DANGEROUS PLACE! I COULDN'T COPE ON MY OWN! I MIGHT NEED SONIC TO...
YOU SAID YOU'D HELP! YOU PROMISED!
OKAY... OKAY! WHAT'S YOUR NAME, ANYWAY?
TRISTRAM, BUT EVERYONE CALLS ME TANTRUM!
I AM NOT SURPRISED!
I'M TAILS! NOW, HOLD ON AND I'LL FLY YOU HOME FASTER THAN...
ZZINNG!
ER... WAS THAT A BULLET?
STAND RIGHT WHERE YUH ARE, YUH VARMINTS! MA NEXT SHOT AIN'T GONNA MISS!
Sigh! ...TODAY STARTED OUT SO WELL...

MAH NAME IS FLEABYTE THE BOUNTY HUNTER, AND AH RECKON DOCTOR ROBOTNIK WOULD PAY ME A FORTUNE FER YOU TWO CRITTERS!
OH YEAH? WELL, MY PAL TAILS IS GONNA SORT YOU OUT, FANGFACE!
ULP! LET'S NOT RESIST, TANTRUM! HE'S GOT US AT GUNPOINT!
YUH MUST BE TIRED OF LIVIN', FOX! TAKE THA- uh?
CLICK!
DRAT! AH KNEW AH SHOULDNA BOUGHT A PESKY SECOND-HAND GUN!
LET'S GO, TAILS!
GUESS I'LL JUST HAVE TO RELY ON MAH OLD FAITHFUL LASER BLASTER!

VVAAMM!
KEEP RUNNING, TANTRUM! I'LL DISTRACT HIS FIRE!

BE CAREFUL! THERE ARE LOTS OF POT-HOLES AROUND!
WAAAHH!
TOO LATE!

HEEELP!


AH KNOWS YUH CAN FLY, FOX, BUT TH' ONLY WAY YUH GONNA ESCAPE MAH LASER BLASTS IS BY FOLLOWIN' YUH BUDDY INTO THAT *HOLE*... AN' EVEN YOU AIN'T DUMB ENOUGH TO DO *THAT!*
Heellp!
Sigh! LOOKS LIKE THE START OF ANOTHER *ADVENTURE!*
NEXT ISSUE: *GOING UNDERGROUND!*

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Dear Megadroid,

Would you please answer the following questions ...

1) Is Knuckles a girl or a boy?
2) Which football team do you support?
3) Where are your feet?

Owen Duhig, Leeds.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.

1. Yes.
2. Robotenham.
3. Supporting me.

FUNNY NANNY!

Dear Megadroid,

I don't know why, but my nan just loves the sight of Sonic's face on my slippers. Do you think she's a little over the top?

Andrew Houckham, Kent.
MD Owner.
Please send full address details.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.

*Maybe they're **shiny** slippers, Andrew!*

BALL POINT!

Dear Megadroid,

Will Marko's Magic Football be returning for a new story?

James Street, Middleton-by-Wirksworth, Derbyshire.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.

The lad played well James, but unfortunately, has taken early retirement from *STC*.

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